

Wheatley announces candidacy

PRESS RELEASE
ARCATA – Arcata City Councilmember Mark Wheatley plans to announce his bid for Third District Supervisor this Friday, Dec. 11, in Arcata.

Wheatley has served on the Arcata City Council since 2005, including three terms as mayor. His public service experience spans 30 years at both the state and local level.

“I believe the county’s expanding needs requires a more collaborative approach. I am excited to seek to represent the people



Mark Wheatley

of the Third District and to bring my leadership experience in developing innovative solutions for future generations in Humboldt County,” Wheatley said.

Wheatley invites the community to join him for his announcement this Friday, Dec. 11 at 12:30 p.m. in the Senior Resource Room at the Arcata Community Center, 312 Martin Luther King Jr. Pkwy. Donations will be collected for Food for People and Toys for Tots.

Contact Caterina Lewis-Perry at (707) 440-9326 for details.

Council | Multiple projects in motion

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using their upper- and lower-body strength.

More parking access will be designed in, to offer an accessible launching point for walking and biking, with as much open green space as possible.

“We’re really trying to invite people, children and families into the forest in an active way,” Neander said.

Refurbishment of the park’s deteriorating structures, the former caretaker house and Scout Hut in particular, could take place in the future. But for now, priorities are year-round utilization of the park.

Forest Management Committee Chair Mike Furniss detailed the ongoing revision of Arcata’s 1994-vintage Forest Management Plan. “The fundamentals are strong and remarkably modern,” Furniss said, adding that that era’s forest committee and staff were “ahead of their time and got a lot of things right.”

However, Arcata’s forest holdings and environmental issues have multiplied massively since then, and all that has to be taken into account in the governing document.

The revision will have to go through the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), which, along with the FMC’s monthly meetings, will provide more opportunities for public process.

A new restoration project about a quarter-mile west of the oxbow pond project

detailed in last week’s *Union* will provide flood control and an estuary tidal basin.

The Open Space Committee’s western greenbelt project is attempting to “stitch together” privately owned and ag zone properties to create an urban limit line to limit development from spreading west, explained Environmental Services Director Mark Andre. Most of the land involved lies outside Arcata city limits, but within the town’s sphere of influence.

“Having plan to refer to is pretty important,” he said.

Arcata’s yearned-for dog park may well find a home in the Little Lakes property, located at the entrance to the Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary south of Samoa Boulevard. A long-range management plan was approved by the council last month but awaits state approval and consultation with the local entities that will no longer receive tax revenue from the former redevelopment agency-owned parcel.

The city continues to plan for sea level rise, with a new vulnerability assessment helping guide the effort.

A new student housing project has been proposed for siting at the Craftsman’s Mall, and the council will meet with the Planning Commission to discuss it. Vehicle parking and circulation are major issues.

Humboldt State has reduced freshman vehicles by half by educating incoming students about alternatives.

NEW HEAD OF DHHS BOWS OUT The Humboldt County Board of Supervisors met in closed session Tuesday, Dec. 8, after the *Union* went to press, to discuss the position of Director of the Department of Health & Human Services, as Kristin Brinks, who was recently appointed to the post, declined the offer. The board announced Brinks’ appointment on Nov. 17. She was scheduled to begin work in January. On Dec. 1 Brinks sent a letter to the Board informing the supervisors of her decision. In her letter, Brinks cited her personal support network in the Sacramento region and the satisfaction she has in El Dorado County, where she currently works.

PROPERTY TAXES DUE The first installment of Humboldt County property taxes must be paid by Thursday, Dec. 10, in order to be timely. Late property tax payments will result in a 10 percent penalty. If mailing, make sure your payment is postmarked by Dec. 10. or else you will be penalized. The tax collectors urges anyone with questions regarding payment to first look at the tax bill, front and back, or check out the website humboldt.gov/tax as almost all answers can be found in one of these two places. For information, call (707) 441-3020.

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— Travelers flying in and out of the county’s main airport will now be able to enjoy a larger airplane with more room and wider seats.

On Dec. 2, United Airline’s new Embraer E-175 jet began servicing the California Redwood Coast Humboldt County Airport (ACV) in McKinleyville.

The larger jet will be a mainstay at the airport, assuming ticket sales continue at the current rate.

The E-175 is an upgrade from the 50-passenger Bombardier CRJ 200 jet, which replaced the Embraer EMB 120 Brasilia turboprop in March.

With the introduction of jet service in March, ticket sales increased, and United also started using an even larger airplane, the 70-seat Bombardier CRJ 700.

The newest jet holds 76 passengers, and includes first class, business class and economy seating. It also holds standard carry-on bags in overhead compartments, unlike its predecessor.

The aisles are wider, and the economy seats in the E-175 are one inch wider than those in the CRJ 200, giving passengers a smidgen more room.

United upgraded ACV to the larger jet because ticket sales have increased.

“This is a result of more people in Humboldt County using the airport,” said Emily Jacobs, program coordinator for the Humboldt County Aviation Division.

Since jet service began at the airport in March, ticket sales have increased an average of 9.5 percent a month compared to the previous year, Jacobs said.

Jacobs said most of United’s flights will take place using the new jet, although that depends on advanced bookings. If needed, the smaller regional jets may be used.

The jet is faster than the

EMBRAER E-175

❖ Seating: 76 passenger seats (12 first class, 16 business class, 48 economy.)

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smaller jets, and 10 percent more efficient on a per-passenger basis. Jacobs was reluctant to estimate how much quicker a trip to San Francisco would be on the faster jet, saying there are too many variables to make such an estimate. Trip times can vary widely due to a number of weather conditions.

During last week’s celebration, a crowd gathered at the terminal for live music and food.

The Humboldt State Men’s Basketball Team was cheered by the crowd as players boarded a flight on the new jet.

As the jet made its way down the runway, the airport’s fire crew sprayed a celebratory arc of water over the runway. Jacobs said that the airport is required to test its firefighting equipment daily, so the festive display was not a waste of water.

MOBILE OUTREACH Humboldt County Department of Health & Human Services Mobile Outreach will be at the Orick Community Resource Center on Thursday, Dec. 17 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Visitors to the bus can be assisted with CalFresh, MediCal, In-Home Supportive Services, Veterans Services and Child Support. Humboldt County Mental Health Clinicians will provide on-board counseling and can link clients up with supportive case management. For information, call (707) 441-4650.

TOWN HALL MEETING A Town Hall Meeting will be held today, Dec. 9 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Sequoia Conference Center, Room Sequoia A, 901 Myrtle Ave., Eureka. Participants will discuss Coast Seafood Company’s shellfish aquaculture expansion project in Humboldt Bay.

The Trinidad community of artisans, musicians, shopkeepers, restaurants and wineries are coming together again to help celebrate the holiday season. Spend the day finding unique gifts, one of a kind arts and crafts work and relaxing a bit with local wine and food.

Holidays in Trinidad
Sunday, December 13

10–5 Trinidad Indie Craft Show at Town Hall (\$2 admission supports Friends of the Trinidad Library).
10:30 – 4:30 Trinidad Elementary School Craft Fair
12:30 – 4 Sibyl Jamieson “Historical Happenings” - special book promotion at the Trinidad Museum
3:00 – Trinidad Coastal Land Trust Annual Meeting and Gathering at the Ned Simmons Gallery (behind the library)
4:00 – Christmas Carol Sing-along led by Penne O’Gara. Trinidad Art Gallery
5:30 – WCA Holiday Open House




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❖ FISHING

Regulators tap input on rockfish

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HUMBOLDT – The state’s groundfish management team is balancing the healthy condition of some rockfish stocks against the overfished status of others and is reaching out to fishermen for input.

Regulations for the North Coast area’s near-shore groundfish fishery will be adopted in the coming year. At a Dec. 2 workshop, fishermen were invited to contribute to the rule-making process.



Yelloweye rockfish

Projections for near-shore recreational and commercial fishing for a variety of groundfish species were reviewed at the workshop, which was held at Eureka’s Wharfinger Building and attended by about 20 fishermen.

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife is working with the Pacific Fishery Management Council to develop groundfish regulations for 2017 and 2018. Joanna Grebel, the Department of Fish and Wildlife’s groundfish project supervisor, said rebuilding groundfish species like yelloweye rockfish may involve additional closures but nothing is certain yet.

Grebel said some groundfish stocks have been rebuilt but those that are still considered overfished will constrain harvesting opportunities.

“Overfished rockfish species are the ones that drive what kind of recreational season we can give you, what season length, at what depth and what your commercial trip limit is,” she continued. “These are basically the ones that are causing the problems.”

Groundfish species that are not overfished include canary rockfish, which has been declared as a rebuilt stock. “That’s very, very good news,” Grebel said.

But she added that other species – such as yelloweye rockfish – are still considered overfished and “we have some competing interests that we do need help working through this year.”

Black rockfish, blue rockfish and lingcod aren’t considered overfished. But a new stock assessment resulted in a lower harvest limit for black rockfish, which is an essential stock for the North Coast.

Black rockfish population is considered to be “healthy,” said Grebel, but its statewide harvest limit has been cut by 80 metric tons in response to the stock assessment. “Obviously, black rockfish is a huge target up here and it’s hugely important,” she continued. “So we’re going to have to figure out how we work through this.”

Recreational harvest of black rockfish has been reduced from a 10-fish bag limit to a five-fish limit. Grebel said the bag limit would have been even lower but the commercial sector had “residual fish” that were transferred to the recreational sector.

A projected harvest reduction for the next season does not consider such sharing. Grebel said her agency is inviting fishermen to work it out among themselves.

Fishermen’s input on their preferences for depth and season length restrictions will also be considered.

Black rockfish predominantly occupy shallower waters while yelloweye is a deeper water species. “The goal is to try to move some of the effort into deeper waters to offer opportunity for other species besides black rockfish, while still trying to minimize our interactions with yelloweye rockfish,” said John Budrick, a member of the Department and Fish and Wildlife’s groundfish team. “We’re balancing between those two constraints and the limitations presented by those species.”

Another option is to modify season length. The recreational fishermen who made up most of the workshop’s audience said they do not want to see any reduction of the current season, which runs from May 15 to Oct. 31 at a 20 fathom depth.

Harvest reductions are significantly affecting the recreational sector. There are 19 commercial near-shore groundfish permits in the North Coast area and only a few commercial fishermen are active.

Near-shore management of groundfish is carried out in two-year cycles. More public workshops on the next cycle will be held throughout the state in January and the Pacific Fishery Management Council will adopt regulations in June.

Greenview | Renovation

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‘Sure, you can, but you’ve gotta get the neighbors together’.

A subsequent neighborhood meeting drew 40 attendees, bringing new dimensions to the project, and the Greenview Park Renovation Project was born.

The project offers a textbook template for ways any neighborhood can use the system to bring about positive change.

Some attendees at the initial neighborhood meeting were wheelchair users, and others autistic. “They said, ‘Look, man, there is not a playground that is fully inclusive – which I didn’t know what that was at the time – for 300 miles. San Jose to Medford, Oregon, that’s the gap,’” Bixler said he was told.

Even compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) wouldn’t give the differently abled a usable playground.

For example, wood chips are technically ADA-compliant, and would offer wheelchair users access – but to what? “Even if they did, where would I roll to?” asked a wheelchair user. “I can’t climb on anything. I can’t swing on things without support.”

A conventional, full-featured playground might cost \$80,000 to \$120,000. But making it useful for those with special needs would cost up to \$250,000.

“Let’s just do it,” Bixler decided on the spot. “We’ll take longer to do it, but we’ll do it right.”

Inclusive playgrounds offer ingenious amenities for those with challenges. Tactile walls, wheelchair rockers and other innovative structures are designed to offer interest and engagement to all – including senior citizens. They’ll have places to visit, and even low-impact, outdoor exercise equipment featuring “hand aerobics.”

Some children are sensory-sensitive, and for them there will be refuges from all the stimulation.

The basketball court will be retained, but augmented with a lower hoop and reoriented to minimize balls bouncing into neighbors’ yards.

A gazebo will offer a tasteful and useful centerpiece to the reimagined park. New swingsets will replace the rusting relics there now.

While a quarter-million dollars might seem a high fundraising threshold, Bixler tapped his not-so-secret weapon – the good will and generosity of the local community.

A round of scoping sessions, special events and family-oriented fundraisers flowed, and just two months after the effort’s kickoff, Bixler boasts \$100,000 in funding, in-hand, in-kind and committed.

Cypress Grove Chevre was first, donating \$1,000, and the project boasts some \$3,800 in cash at this point. Wildberries Marketplace offered a whopping \$25,000 in matching funds. The City of Arcata committed “at least” \$50,000 in support. The California Conservation Corps, no stranger to assisting with city renovation projects, will donate some \$28,000 in labor – “two weeks worth of 30 guys,” Bixler said. Humboldt Bay Coffee Company will soon roll out a signature Greenview Park coffee to aid the effort.

The next big push takes place in January. A fundraising thermometer sign sponsored by Wildberries will go up at the park, and a fresh round of fundraisers will begin.

Those wishing to participate may do so via the “Greenview Playground Project” Facebook page, which offers updates and information, or call the always-accessible Bixler at (707) 845-1800.

“We can use all the help we can get,” Bixler said.

Crabs | Disaster declaration may be necessary

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was scheduled to begin Dec. 1. It is now delayed until the Department of Fish and Wildlife can determine that the crabs are safe to eat. The same problem is taking place in Oregon and Washington, where crabbing is halted, effectively shutting down a multi-million dollar industry.

The situation is serious enough that State Sen. Mike McGuire and Assemblymember Jim Wood held a special meeting of the Joint Committee on Fisheries and Aquaculture Dec. 3 in Santa Rosa to discuss the delayed crab season. The meeting featured a panel of leading experts, including biologists, public health officials, fishermen and other industry representatives.

The hearing was alternately grim and hopeful. The closure has crippled the industry and there are fears that even if the season finally opens, consumers may be wary of buying the Dungeness delicacy. There is also concern that the warm waters that help create the problem may be here to stay, raising the specter that the industry could be doomed.

On a brighter note, the level of domoic acid in ocean waters has dropped to extremely low or non-detectable levels. The regular testing of crabs shows signs that domoic acid levels are going down. If the trend continues, the crabs could be deemed safe to eat and the season would begin.

‘Crab country’

Sen. McGuire, chair of the committee, explained the importance of crabbing on the North Coast. The districts that he and Assemblymember Wood represent “are considered California crab country,” McGuire said. “Dungeness crab is part of coastal California’s identity and history.”

The industry generates on average about \$60 million a year in California. Last year’s Dungeness harvest in Humboldt was pegged at about \$6.1 million. The year before, 2013, was an unusually bountiful season for Humboldt, with the harvest valued at \$30.5 million.

“Delaying the opening is not a decision that is taken lightly,” McGuire said.

The cause

The domoic acid is created by single-cell phytoplankton that float in warm ocean waters. The domoic acid spreads through the marine ecosystem and is consumed by the fish and wildlife. The acid accumulates in the crab meat, but doesn’t appear to cause any harm to the crabs themselves.

The creation of the acid is spurred by warm water.

Among the factors warming the Pacific are The Blob and El Niño. The Blob is a mass of warm water that extends from Mexico to Alaska. It was first detected in

2013. There’s also this year’s record-setting El Niño, which warms the surface temperature of the ocean.

One state official suggested that warm waters may be here to stay.

“We’ve had absolutely crazy weather, the ocean conditions have been absolutely crazy and our scientists are telling us that these conditions are likely to be the new normal,” explained Cat Kuhlman of the California Natural Resources Agency. Another factor that could warm the waters is climate change.

Kuhlman said it is highly likely there will be more of these algal blooms.

“If nature forces me or others out of business, then so be it. Until then we will fight the good fight, the right fight, for public safety and hope we’ll be able to fish when it’s the right time.”

– Don Marshall

Kuhlman’s statements beg the question: If algal blooms continue, can the industry survive?

The danger

At the meeting, there was a consensus that public safety is the number one priority. Among the strongest proponents for being cautious were members of the industry, who said that selling contaminated crab and getting people sick would be devastating to their business.

Melanie Marty, Ph.D., acting deputy director for scientific affairs for the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment, explained the dangers of eating the contaminated crab.

“At lower exposures it might just be vomiting, nausea and that sort of GI [gastrointestinal] distress,” Marty said. “But as exposures increase, you can get into some very severe neurological symptoms that include seizures, coma, abnormal heart rhythm and a lot of other very severe effects including up to death,”

At higher exposure levels, she said, nerve cells die. Brains are damaged, causing memory problems and confusion.

Much of what is known about the health

effects of consuming domoic acid was learned from an incident in 1987 on Prince Edward Island in Canada, when more than 100 people became ill and three died after eating mussels contaminated with domoic acid.

Disaster declaration?

With the crabbing industry in limbo, and uncertainty over when, or if, the season will open, both McGuire and Woods said that planning must get underway for declaring a disaster. This could open the door for disaster relief for the industry.

“All of us are hoping for the best, but we also need to start planning for the worst-case scenario,” McGuire said.

“We need to start developing a plan for financial assistance for those who are dependent on the crab fishery,” McGuire said.

Adding to the crisis is the fact that the prime selling season for crab will be over within a few weeks.

“The majority of crab in California is consumed Thanksgiving through New Year’s, with the vast majority consumed around the Christmas holiday,” McGuire said.

“It’s obviously a devastating blow to the North Coast fishermen who spent weeks gearing up for what they hoped to be a profitable season on top of a pretty dismal salmon season, quite frankly,” Woods said.

A crabber’s perspective

“Public safety is the main concern,” said Don Marshall of the Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen’s Associations. Marshall, a fisherman based out of Half Moon Bay, is currently working at a friend’s Christmas tree farm to help make ends meet. Marshall urged state officials to be extremely cautious when opening the season. He also wants a statewide opening, rather than a piecemeal opening region by region.

“The only way to keep the public safe from getting sick with domoic acid that is in these crabs is to create a statewide opening that is uniform,” Marshall said. “Crabs don’t abide by district lines or county lines. They are highly migratory, seen by the anomalies and irregularities from week to week testing, and they are highly unpredictable.”

“I advise for the future of the fishery to approach this matter with extreme caution. We are in uncharted waters at this point,” Marshall said.

As for disaster assistance, Marshall said the fishermen are not looking for a hand-out. “We want to do what we do best – we want to go fishing,” he said.

“If nature forces me or others out of business, then so be it,” Marshall said. “Until then we will fight the good fight, the right fight, for public safety and hope we’ll

be able to fish when it’s the right time.”

A processor’s perspective

Joe Caito, president of Caito Fisheries, described the current situation as unprecedented. His company, which buys and processes fish, has been in existence for five generations, dating back to 1885. The wholesaler has facilities at five different ports in the state, including Eureka. “We have a long history in this industry,” Caito said. “We’ve seen a lot of changes, but nothing like this ever. This is unprecedented.”

Caito urged state officials to be extremely cautious. In order for his company to operate, “we need to be absolutely certain that the crab is safe to eat,” Caito said. “We can’t take a chance of making someone ill, or having our product recalled.”

The situation is already taking a toll on the crab market, even for crab that’s perfectly safe to eat, Caito explained.

“Fresh and frozen crab sales have just, I mean, dropped significantly since all the bad, negative press that’s been going on,” Caito said.

“It’s very concerning to me that when the crab season starts, how is the public going to react to buying crab?” Caito asked.

“I think as an industry we need to start, right now, putting out some press releases about the crab season. Domoic acid levels are dropping in some areas ... we need to gain back public confidence,” Caito said.

Testing for safety

There’s uncertainty over when, or if, the crab season will begin. None of the experts at the meeting took a chance at predicting a start date.

Instead, everyone is waiting for the test to come back showing that the crab is safe to eat.

Patrick Kennelly, chief of the Food Safety Section of the California Department of Public Health, described the testing protocols. Crabs are caught and then shipped to a lab. The crabs are cooked, just as consumers would prepare them, before the meat is tested.

Kennelly said that if the department gets two tests two weeks in a row showing that the crabs are safe, then the fishing ban could be lifted. When that will happen is anybody’s guess.

Charlton Bonham, the director of the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, said his department wants to get the season started as soon as it is safe to do so.

“I can say that as the director, I’m intent on our department doing whatever it takes to get seasons opened, as soon as Mother Nature allows and the data and science supports it,” Bonham said.

Sen. McGuire had a similar view, saying “Our bottom line - we want to make sure California crab is safe to eat, to get the Northern California crabbers on the water and back to work.”

PUBLIC SAFETY



STRANGERS IN THE NIGHT took advantage of the darkness and apparently found it in their hearts to rip off, remove and ruin other peoples' property last week. The residential fence at left was apparently sawn off and carted away by unknown forces for unknown reasons (maybe it was fenced?). The planter at H Street's Gallery M tier looks like it was a casualty of a hit-and-run incident by a vehicle turning around in the tiny parking lot. Bob Doran, setting up his "Humboldt Humans" exhibit there (see page B1), called the succulent-sundering "kinda thoughtless, but it wasn't like they intended to break it." The crapstation at right appeared over the weekend at the terminus of Curtis Avenue. Included among the household waste was a local man's pay stub, but he couldn't be reached for comment before deadline. Previous instances of public trash dumping have brought expressions of profound dismay from those whose personal items have been found in the debris. Irresponsible hirelings are usually assigned the blame. LEFT PHOTOS BY BOB DORAN; RIGHT PHOTO SUBMITTED

Why do we call the police when musicians attempt to refine their craft?

• **Friday, November 20 12:25 a.m.** A man waiting to be seen at the hospital emergency room whiled away the wait by yelling and cursing at the caregivers who were soon to treat him.

12:48 a.m. A commercial cleaning crew arriving to work at a 10th Street medical clinic found the front door unlocked and a man sleeping on the floor upstairs.

10:20 a.m. A man, his sleeping bag and dog slumbered in the doorway of a Northtown video rental shop, prevented customers from returning their DVDs.

1:45 p.m. The herd of surly swarm-about reached alley-clogging proportions on G Street, gales of dope smoke rising therefrom.

1:52 p.m. A box of kittens was report-



ed along the U.S. Highway 101 offramp at Sunset Avenue, but police couldn't find it or them.

7:51 p.m. Street solipsists set up a passer-by-annoyance station in front of a 24-hour variety store in Uniontown. There, they blasted music and beseeched customers for their discretionary change.

7:57 p.m. The panhandler at Westwood Market forewent music, substituting a soundtrack of frightening verbal aggression.

10:22 p.m. Guess, just *guess* what high-volume activity the beanie-topped man in a Valley West motel lobby was doing that inspired a call to police. It starts with an "s," sometimes a "y."

11:08 p.m. Out at a Valley West motel, tensions between Rooms 119 and 131 boiled over into public conflict. Two women and

a man then retreated to their respective, meth-infused rooms.

11:46 p.m. A couple enjoyed a \$26.10 meal at a shiny new Plaza restaurant/bar, then snuck out without paying.

• **Sunday, November 22 9:01 a.m.** A man in a red hoodie and alcohol rage threw rocks at cars along bagel-rich I Street. He was arrested on a public drunkenness charge.

10:31 a.m. A dainty carport soir e on Alliance Road featured three happenstantial hangarounds. If they were travelers, their travels weren't detectably boosted by a resident's entreaties to depart the premises; that is, they wasn't goin' nowhere. And yet, the arrival of badged officialdom coincided with a purposeful yearning for more salubrious climes.

11:05 a.m. While info is paltry and sparse

Dreary deets aren't hard to parse

On Iverson, drumming

Had someone there glumming

So cop time got took up with farce

12:14 p.m. A shaggy dog was reported romping around McKinnon and Devlin courts. An officer was unable to verify the shaggy dog story.

5:42 p.m. A man aroused suspicion on Alliance Road by going door to door asking for a bag.

5:44 p.m. A man notified officials at a Westwood Center coffee house that he was being chased and needed help. It must have been a low-speed chase, because he trundled away pushing a shopping cart from an adjacent supermarket.

8:27 p.m. A man complained that someone who had assaulted him had now chased him inside a downtown donut shop. But beyond that he was uncooperative.

The one-year Measure Z report

COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

HUMBOLDT – One year ago, the Board of Supervisors certified the results of the Nov. 4, 2014 election in which Humboldt County voters passed Measure Z.

Over the past 12 months, voters have begun to see the difference their vote has made around the county. The measure, a half-cent local sales tax, went into effect in April. Since then, the tax has raised more than \$2 million and a lot has been done with that money to improve the safety of the people in our community.

In an effort to keep you informed, the following describes some steps that have been taken towards implementing Measure Z, and what you can expect in the future.

April-May: Citizen evaluation

Measure Z was estimated to raise nearly \$9 million during its first year in effect. In April, local agencies applied for a share of these funds and their applications were evaluated by a committee appointed by the Board of Supervisors.

The Citizens' Advisory Committee on Measure Z Expenditures is a group of nine citizens, two of whom represent public safety agencies.

In all, 24 local agencies submitted 46 applications seeking nearly \$19 million for projects that would increase public safety. In May, the committee recommended seven projects for funding, with more to be considered if funding is available.

June: Teamwork approach allows county to tackle more projects

While the committee was tasked with evaluating the applications as they were submitted, the Board of Supervisors has more flexibility.

In open meetings prior to adoption of the budget, the board and several of the agencies that applied found ways to reduce project costs while still addressing the underlying public safety need. For example, the Fire Chief's Association was able to save a substantial amount by purchasing in bulk, and several agencies agreed to remove portions of their requests thereby reducing the amount of funding needed.

The end result allowed the board to include funding for 15 Measure Z projects when adopting the county's annual budget in June.

July-October: Implementation

The Sheriff's Office was allocated funding for 30 new positions, and made its first hires in July. To date, 16 employees have been hired with Measure Z funds. Those include two sergeants, eight deputies, three community service officers, one animal control officer, one property technician and one extra help deputy. Recruitments for the Sheriff's Office are ongoing.

The District Attorney's Office was allocated funding for 11 full-time employees, and made its first hire in August. To date, three employees have been hired with Measure Z funds, including two deputy district attorneys and one investigator. More new hires are expected soon.

The Department of Public Works has either begun or completed 13 projects to repair local roads, with more on the way. Public Works has also funded three cleanups along local rivers and roadways.

Tracking

Six outside agencies were selected by the board to receive funds from Measure Z, including the Eureka Police Department, Fortuna Police Department, Area 1 Agency on Aging, Hoopa Valley Tribe, Fire Chief's Association and the City of Rio Dell.

However, because the board does not have jurisdiction over those agencies, it signed contracts detailing their proposed expenses and actions to be carried out with Measure Z funds.

Per the contract, those agencies are required to submit invoices and quarterly reports detailing their progress, success and difficulties relating to implementing Measure Z projects. Those documents are available online.

Looking ahead

Outside agencies will continue to submit quarterly reports regarding their progress with Measure Z. In January, the Citizens Advisory Committee on Measure Z expenditures will meet to review the budget at the mid-year point.

In March, an Interactive Community Budget Meeting will be held. It kicks off the annual budget process. The committee will begin to meet more frequently early in 2016 and you can sign up to be notified when the committee posts a new agenda.

Stolen property & a broken promise

EUREKA POLICE DEPT.

EUREKA – On Tuesday, Dec. 1, at about 11 a.m., the Eureka Police Department's MIST/Homeless officers, assisted by detectives with the Problem Oriented Policing Unit (POP), served a search warrant at an illegal camp in the greenbelt to the rear of the 3300 block of Broadway.

The warrant was obtained in response to complaints of drug sales activity being perpetrated by lodgers allegedly illegally residing there, John Allen Eccles, 56, of Eureka, and Tabitha Lyn MacDonald, 30, of Eureka. Detectives also simultaneously searched a related storage unit on the 4100 block of Broadway.

While searching the suspects' camp and storage unit, detectives located three pounds of processed marijuana, heroin use paraphernalia and stolen property. An electric guitar, bicycle and a gas powered rototiller were confirmed as stolen.

The rototiller was taken from a nearby department store at the mall on Nov. 30. The bicycle was stolen on Nov.

18 from outside a business on the 1400 block of Fifth Street. The guitar had been reported stolen in HCSO jurisdiction in March 2013. Several other items were collected for safekeeping as suspected stolen property, including a number of tools.



John Allen Eccles



Tabitha Lyn MacDonald

MacDonald and Eccles were subsequently arrested and transported to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility. MacDonald was booked on suspicion of possession of marijuana for sale, maintaining a place for drug sales/use, possession of stolen property, probation violation, possession of drug paraphernalia and a warrant for petty theft.

Eccles was booked on suspicion of maintaining a space for drug sales/use, possession of marijuana for

sale, felon in possession of a stun gun, possession of stolen property, possession of drug paraphernalia, probation violation, a warrant for DUI and for knowingly bringing a controlled substance into the jail (over one-half gram of tar heroin.)

MacDonald's and Eccles' illegal camp will also be removed from its location on city property along the waterfront due to their blatant violation of the clearly established behavioral expectations set forth in EPD's "Homeless Tracking and Accountability" document. This flier has been extensively distributed among the homeless camps in the area. Eccles and MacDonald were both handed a copy of the flier the week prior to the search warrant's service.

They signed the form acknowledging and agreeing to its behavioral expectations, which state in part, "I also understand that criminal behavior such as violence, theft, possession of illegal weapons and drug trafficking will cause immediate and permanent removal from this area."

Murderer Youravish put away for life

HUMBOLDT COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

HUMBOLDT – On June 17, 2013, Michael Raymond Youravish lured Forrest Croft Lovejoy into the woods in McKinleyville and stabbed him to death, inflicting more than 30 stab wounds.

Youravish was subsequently arrested and charged with first-degree murder.

On Nov. 3, a Humboldt County jury returned guilty verdicts against Michael Raymond Youravish for first-degree murder committed intentionally by means of lying in wait.

On Tuesday, Dec. 1, Youravish was sen-

tenced by the Honorable John Feeney to the maximum term of life in state prison without possibility of parole.

Lovejoy's mother, step-mother and step-father made statements at the sentencing.

The family thanked the court, the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office and its investigators and the District Attorney's Office.

They described Forrest as a trusting, fun-loving man with a goofy sense of humor who was well-loved by his family. Youravish declined to comment.

This case was prosecuted by Deputy District Attorney Zachary Curtis.



Michael Raymond Youravish



TEA AND TIMES PAST
TASTY HISTORY Jaffa Wahlberg of the Historical Sites Society of Arcata (HSSA) discusses Arcata history with Tom and Jean Frame at Phillips House Museum Sunday afternoon. The HSSA's annual Christmas Tea featured tours, talks, creepy mannequins and of course, tea and tasty cookies. Phillips House, located at Seventh and Union streets, is an officially registered historic place. arcatahistory.org KLH | UNION



ARTS! AR-TASTE-A
The last Arts! Arcata featured vendors offering artisanal drinkables and edibles. Left, Steven Dugger offers his Watershed Teas to attendees at the Fire Arts Center. The fine-grade teas are available online and in private tastings. Below, Aniza and Dave Limins displayed their flavorful Angry Chiles sauces and jams outside Crush at the Pythian Castle. The hot stuff is homemade in the Mattole Valley using organic ingredients. watershedteas.com, [Facebook/angrychiles](https://www.facebook.com/angrychiles) PHOTOS BY KLH | UNION



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Let's talk about McKinley

Chances are you have an opinion about the statue of McKinley on the Arcata Plaza. And chances are also fair that some of your reasoning isn't reality based.

Mythology surrounds both the statue of William McKinley on the Plaza, and the man himself. A few gems: The statue fell off the train in Arcata en route to McKinleyville, its intended location. If it is a removed, Arcata has to surrender the Arcata Ball Park via some covenant. There's no information to confirm either of those claims.

McKinley is also casually cast as some sort of genocidal maniac who doesn't belong. But earlier this year, the statue was proposed as an anti-genocide symbol as part of a plan devised by Humboldt State students. You remember: a plaque was to have been added at the statue's base honoring the sculpture's Armenian-American creator, Haig Patigian, and decrying genocide locally and internationally. Despite qualified support from the Parks & Rec Committee, the City Council rejected the plaque proposal as awkward revisionism.

The new thrust, by the group which calls itself Transform the Heart of Our Community (TTHOOC), aims to put the matter to a vote of the people via the initiative process.

If there's one thing that the *Union* will always get behind, it's citizens trying to improve our community via an inclusive public process, using the available tools of democracy.

We get excited not because we might agree or disagree with any particular initiative, but because the process energizes our local democracy. It forces us to listen to and process

viewpoints to which we may not have been exposed, and makes us defend our views with facts. All that offers incomparable opportunities to better understand the place in which we live.

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This happened with the anti-corporate Measure F and the anti-fluoride Measure W some years back, and more recently with the Excessive Energy Use Tax, to name a few examples. In those and other cases, community members came together to hear each other's views, argued their points, then made an informed and lasting decision.

Perhaps the best thing about these sorts of initiatives is that they force us to meet fellow community members we wouldn't otherwise ever know, and to realize that they aren't the one-dimensional villains that any bold advocates will inevitably be branded as in online comments.

The entirely wrong way to go about this is via the courts, as is being done with the frivolous, dead-end lawsuit that attempts to stop the city from enforcing the law in Redwood Park re: the now-defunct 4/20 cannabis festival. If you want to restore 4/20 in the park, fine – change the law. It can be done. Don't waste taxpayer dollars, so direly needed for so many worthy community projects, on enriching lawyers.

Flagrant falsehoods that take flight in legal briefs – such as that Redwood Park was "closed" on 4/20 – would never survive even the initial stages of an open community discussion. Perhaps that's why the plaintiffs chose the courtroom route. They've lost, and will lose on appeal, but only after thousands of public dollars have been

burned on attorney fees. We'll call those tactics what they are: lame.

Both sides of the McKinley debate can make principled, factual arguments to support their points of view.

If McKinley's supporters wish to quash the surging movement to remove and replace the statue, the worst way to go about it is with name-calling. The anti-Bill advocates aren't "hippies" and worse, as they've been called. They don't show any indication whatsoever of wishing to harm Arcata. They're citizens with jobs, families and deep roots in our town – just like the statue's backers.

By the same token, those who want to retain the 25th president's bronze effigy also want what's best for the town, and don't endorse mass murder.

By the way, the best way to ensure that McKinley's statue will remain rooted on the Plaza forever and ever is to vandalize it. That will create an overwhelming backlash that will end any chance of making a change on the Plaza. The TTHOOC advocates are aware of this loose talk among some zealots, and adamantly oppose any such counterproductive and destructive activity.

So let's sally forth with the McKinley discussion in a spirit of learning and community. Whether or not it makes its way to the ballot, the movement provides an invaluable opportunity to meet the neighbors, exercise our democratic process, learn about our history and traditions, clarify facts, debunk mythology, consider alternatives going forward and allow the people make a lasting decision about the character of our town's center.

For all that, we all owe Transform the Heart of Our Community a large thank you.

Support the Medical Marijuana Innovation Zone

Speaking of public process, there's one going on right now regarding Arcata's proposed Medical Marijuana Innovation Zone (MMIZ). That city-backed proposal would create an industrial zone were medical (and perhaps someday, recreational) cannabis products could be created via legal, labor-friendly, environmentally responsible and taxpaying businesses. It's an idea whose time has come. In fact it's long, long overdue.

Like any large project or revolutionary idea, the MMIZ is not without negative consequences or dislocation. But the alternative – leaving this activity underground and in the law enforcement realm – is way worse: neighborhood and watershed destruction via unregulated grows, the exploitation of the cannabis workforce with substandard wages and working conditions, the forfeiture of many possible jobs and massive tax revenue are just a few of the issues.

Make no mistake – the MMIZ or something like it will come about. The only question is whether Arcata takes the

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lead, shows the world how to do it right (as it did with its 215 cards, grow house guidelines and Excessive Energy Use Tax) and reaps the benefits – or lets others do it.

It's a little ironic that the cannabis industry, which roundly denounced Arcata taking out grow houses and even news media coverage of the phenomenon, now points to industrial neighborhood grows as an example of the destructive dysfunction the MMIZ will alleviate. But this time, they're right.

The Planning Commission and City Council meetings we've held on the MMIZ have drawn participation by advocates and opponents (and inevitably, lawyers).

We're confident that Arcata will work through this process and create a legal, beneficial – and finally, after all these years, *rational* approach to cannabis.

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NOT A ROCKET – Casual observers did a lot of second-guessing while Arcata Junior Chamber of Commerce members made their annual Christmas transformation of the President McKinley statue Saturday. Although at this stage the statue looked somewhat unbecoming, when finished it appeared as intended, a replica of a Christmas candle.

On Mr. McKinley

There's a move to send McKinley packing and it seems McKinleyville is more than willing to accept this refugee from Arcata.

This has been considered before, but he's still standing. Whether you agree or disagree with his politics and actions, McKinley has been part of the Plaza and the history of Arcata for many years.

No matter what the final outcome is, the concrete planter surrounding the base should be removed to expose the beautiful circular granite steps that I

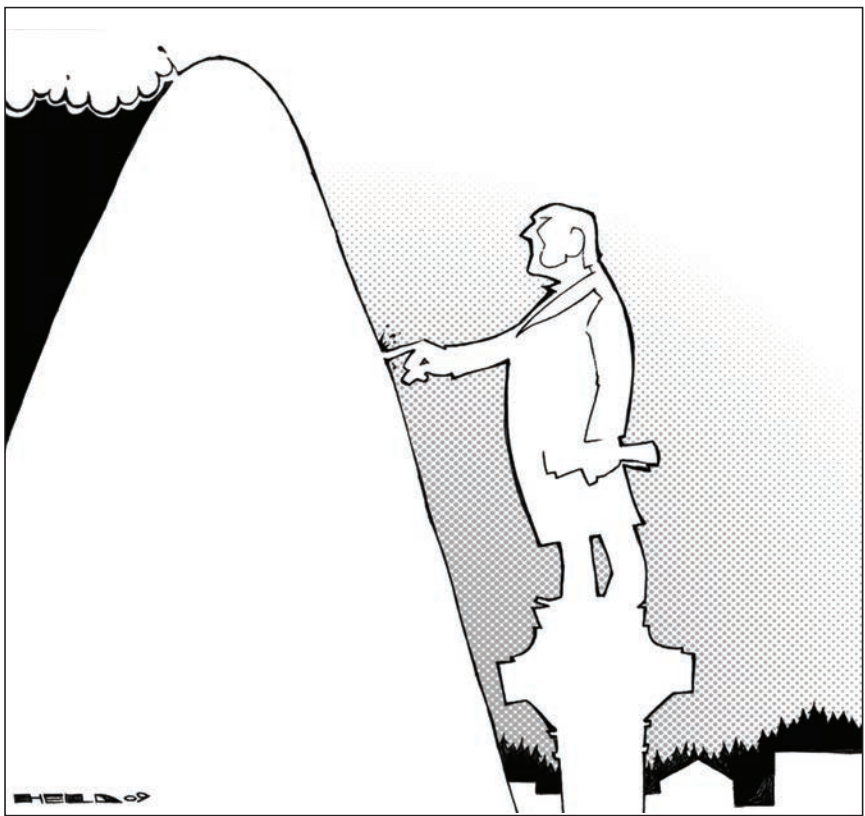


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used to play on as a child. Also, there is a USGS benchmark that is the basis of the elevations for the west side of the city located on the base of the steps. And remember, McKinley is featured in the City of Arcata's logo. There must be other things in Arcata that need attention and to spread this energy on. Do you really believe that by removing McKinley on the Plaza, you will improve the quality of life in Arcata?

Scott Baker
McKinleyville

McCANDLEY Left, McKinley was dressed as a candle for Christmas 1962. Top, the City of Arcata seal, commonly referred to as "the potato." Above, a USGS marker like the one obscured by the Plaza planter; located on the north-side sidewalk west of the Seventh Street/U.S. Highway 101 overpass. LEFT PHOTO FROM NOV. 30, 1962 *ARCATA UNION*; PHOTO BY KLH | *UNION*



News item: With President McKinley perhaps on his way out and sea level rise coming in, maybe the old boy could be given a meaningful new mission.

Arcata's APD angels

We are Maine residents who flew to Arcata last week to look for our 25-year-old daughter. Before coming, we contacted the police department, who gave us pertinent information about where to find her. And when we arrived they proactively aided our search.

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What impressed us was not only their courtesy and helpfulness of the detective we spoke to on the phone, but the officers' professional approach to a troubling social issue which affects almost all American communities in all parts of our country. Arcata certainly confronts the issues of substance abuse and vagrancy on a serious scale thereby creating more pressure on its police force.

From what we experienced, the officers we met walked that delicate line between public safety and human sensitivity with extraordinary patience and self-control – no easy feat on a daily basis. We thank them.

If you believe in angels, the truth is that one never knows when they might appear. My wife and I do believe in angels, and in our few days in Arcata last week we came to believe that you have a community that has its own core of angels – and we have placed our faith in them.

Bill and Sydney Patten
Mount Desert, Maine

Tradition, adaptation, resilience and progress

Over Thanksgiving, I met a man who operates a commercial fishing boat in Alaska, and he naturally asked about the local crab fishing industry. I told him that while I sympathize with their problems, I find it ironic to hear them asking for, pleading for or even demanding government financial support. Many of the same folks often disparage government for helping anyone, and speak harshly about those who need help.

Surely, they consider themselves different from people who made what they consider bad choices. But from the outside looking in, commercial fishing looks like a financially unstable and physically risky occupation.

In a bad season, which this one looks like it's going to be, they could find themselves unemployed, behind on their bills or in foreclosure, just like many of the people living in the bushes.

They are at high risk of situational depression. If you think they are immune to the dangers of addiction to alcohol, I think you are mistaken. They could even fall prey to narcotics, especially the ones with injuries that need treatment.

But they are proud and boastful of their independence. To hear them tell it, commercial fishing is the perfect life, except when it isn't. It's such a common local narrative that lots of people uncritically accept it.

Another such is the complaint that the Bayshore Mall ruined local retail. The competition didn't help, but there is a lot more to the story. Four people came to Humboldt to celebrate the holiday with me, and while I slept in the daytime, they did some shopping. On Friday, they wandered Old Town and

on Saturday, they checked out the displays at the Made in Humboldt event. They had a good time; they even stayed an extra day, but they didn't buy much. There were attractive items they liked, but the prices were far too high for their budgets.

A fashion scarf for \$80, an ornament marked \$150 and a shirt priced at \$200 shocked them. One of the women needed a pair of boots, but she got them at a major department store at the mall. The price – on sale – was \$20.

Local retailers were advised to shift to niche marketing when the mall opened. The idea was that since they couldn't compete head-to-head, they needed to offer unique stock that wasn't available at the mall.

Most of them followed that advice, but they also went for the high end of the price range, limiting their market.

In the early days of home computers, there was a game called *Lemonade Stand*. Players competed by figuring out how to price their virtual product high enough to cover their costs and make a profit, but low enough to be affordable. The lesson was basic retailing – margin versus quantity.

Somehow, that message got lost in Old Town, where picturesque architecture draws visitors, but sky-high prices turn them into lookers instead of buyers. That is not entirely the fault of the mall. This group ate in restaurants and rented a place to stay, but didn't buy goods.

This was my first up close and personal experience with an Airbnb rental, and I was favorably impressed. They got a two-bedroom apartment in Old Town in a recently renovated building. It was clean, nicely decorated

and featured a full kitchen with nice appliances, stocked with pots and pans, utensils, dishes and glassware.

The living room was small, but adequate, and the furniture and beds were comfortable. After 20 years of being able to invite lots of people to stay at my house, it felt weird not to be able to do that now. Since my apartment doesn't have room for so many guests, I was glad they had a nice place to stay.

There are lots of tired local narratives: the parks ruined the timber industry, young people have to move out of Humboldt to get decent jobs and all the homeless came here from elsewhere looking to make big money growing pot. These narratives seem to comfort those who endlessly repeat them, but I don't see how they actually help much.

Wherever you live, there are challenges to be faced. Times change, ways of life change and things that worked 30 years ago are but quaint tales now. Successful people and businesses have to adapt.

I enjoy immersing myself in a book or movie about bygone days, but when I raise my head, I want modern appliances and indoor plumbing. A century and a half ago, it was common for women to burn to death when their voluminous skirts caught fire as they cooked. I'll take a microwave over that risk any day.

Trying to stick to outmoded models just doesn't help. Even behind the Redwood Curtain, things are changing. It's time to move forward.

Elizabeth Alves remembers her mother often saying it is better to light a candle than to curse the darkness. Comments and suggestions are welcome care of the Union or to mysidestreet@gmail.com.

Consider helping me hike the Pacific Crest Trail for charity next year

Hey, guess what I'm doing next year? Walking 1,726 miles through the scorpion- and rattlesnake-strewn Mojave Desert, then palling around with bears and mountain lions in the Sierras.



KEVIN L. HOOVER
❖ SO-CALLED THOUGHTS

If all goes as planned, next spring I'll take off on a section hike of the Pacific Crest Trail, the section being California, from Campo at the Mexican border to Ashland, Ore.

In fact, the critters whose habitat I'll be tramping through are the least of my concerns, as

long as I respect them and follow best hiking practices. I think I know what to do; it's just one of the many things to be mindful of on a journey of this length.

The art of the hike is a fascinating challenge, and obviously the trek itself will be an immersive experience, to say the least. I've been on multi-day backpacking trips in Humboldt Redwoods State Park, the Lost Coast and Trinity Alps, but up until recently had reverted to more leisurely glamping, which is also a blast.

Now it's back to the trail in a big way – four months big. I'm leaving at the end of April and won't be back until September.

I won't be out of touch, though. These

days, one is never away from the communications grid for very long. I'll document the adventure via my blog, *Crush All Boxes* (crushallboxes.blogspot.com), my YouTube channel, submissions to the newspaper and by live tracking of my location via a GPS personal locator beacon.

That level of on-trail tech doesn't appeal to many, but it's not uncommon and it sounds to me like a lot of fun – gathering imagery and other data by day, then editing it in the tent at night.

I'll describe the rewards and setbacks, twists and turns of the trail, plus perspectives on Humboldt news from afar, describe the natural history of the areas through which I pass, and show interesting stuff I see and people I meet.

There's no one best way to go about an ambitious hike like this. Everyone has to find what works best for them, from equipment to schedule to goals. There's a phrase – hike your own hike (HYOH) – which sets the tolerant tone that is part of PCT culture.

In order to truly hike your own hike, you have to know why you're doing it, and set out what you hope to accomplish. There are as many reasons as there are hikers.

For some PCT hikers, it's escape, centering on a spiritual journey. Others go for tro-

phy purposes, or to set records. Some are survivors of health problems, or violence. Others have media enterprises. It's all good, and there is much cooperation and mutual respect for the diversity.

My motivations are many, but to be completely honest the central one is the fun of it. I love hiking, carrying my shelter and food on my back, and sleeping outside in remote places. It's strenuous and meditative, relaxing and stimulating, cleansing and enriching all at once. That might be one definition of fun.

Since I'm going, there's no reason not to leverage the hike to do something positive for the community that has supported me all these years, and the facilities that make it all possible. There are three wonderful causes for which I hope to gain pledges.

First is the Pacific Crest Trail Association, which advocates for the trail and maintains it, supports hikers and does outreach and education. pcta.org

Second has to be the Arcata Ridge Trail, which isn't quite complete and needs support. You can do this directly through the Humboldt Area Foundation's Arcata Forest Fund, or use the *Union* as a pass-through.

As we did in days of old with the Arcata Eye Ball, I'm once again fundraising for the Union Labor Health Federation's Chil-

dren's Dental Angel Fund, also managed through the Humboldt Area Foundation. It provides funding for dental treatment of underprivileged children locally, which are matched by participating dentists. ulhf.org/content/view/98/

Ways to donate to any of these funds via the hike are being finalized, so stay tuned. You can pledge a certain amount per mile, a set amount or whatever you like.

Anyone wishing to support the hike itself, and help make possible its various info streams and the help I hope to provide to the worthy causes, can easily do so.

We're selling genuine Arcata Ridge Trail markers in both traditional and rainbow flavors, the latter to honor the contributions of the LGBT community to the trail. My four books – both *Police Logs* and local history books – are also on sale, as are a few oddities. Proceeds will help feed me on the trail.

Just stop by Suite 8 in Jacoby's Storehouse, Plaza Level, and pick up a beautiful, tactilely-gratifying trail marker. They make wonderful gifts for trail enthusiasts.

I could make a case for having contributed value to our community with my newspaper and other work over the past 23 years, and in return it has employed me. Now I'm asking for its help in making possible an ambitious adventure that will create some interesting reads and help good causes.



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‘The photo brain was always engaged’

Bob Doran communicates with Humboldt Humans

Janine Volkmar
MAD RIVER UNION

HUMBOLDT – He’s a familiar sight around town. Whether it’s at the Farmers’ Market, at Arts! Arcata or just another ribbon cutting, Bob Doran is there with his camera, taking photographs of people you may know. Maybe even pictures of you.

And he posts them on Facebook and Instagram, for everyone to enjoy. Now he’s working at collecting thousands of photographs for a new exhibit and a possible book.

His show opens during Arts! Arcata this Friday, Dec. 11 from 6 to 9 p.m. at Gallery Métier, 1034 H St. in Arcata. It’s a tiny little spot but it will be filled with his signature square format photos of “Humboldt Humans.”

Doran has already welcomed his first visitors to the gallery even though he’s not quite through hanging the show. A surfer from Chile walked in, said Doran. “He said, ‘Could you take my picture so I can send it to my mother?’ so I did,” Doran explained. The kind-hearted photographer even gave the man a mat for the photo and a mailing envelope. “When I take somebody’s picture, it’s a communication, a two-way street,” Doran said.

Communication is important to Doran, especially since a stroke in 2013 left him temporarily unable to speak. He was photographing graduation ceremonies at Humboldt State when it happened, and his life changed rapidly.

After stints in the hospital and rehabilitation, Doran ended up living in Timber Ridge in McKinleyville. Coincidentally, his el-

derly mother, Jean, lived down the hall. “I was still in a wheelchair when they released me from rehab,” Doran said. “The front door to our house was too small for a wheelchair. They gave my wife a list of places where I could go. The first had people six to a room. The second on the list had cockroaches.”

At Timber Ridge, he bent the rules, he said. “At night when nobody was watching, I’d be out wandering the halls taking pictures. The photo brain was always engaged.”

His coworkers at the *North Coast Journal* bought him an iPad. “I started instantly taking pictures of people,” Doran said that the speech part of his brain wasn’t working. “I could say ‘good morning’ and ‘how are you,’ but not much else,” he recalled. He was thinking other words but “they didn’t come out.” Photography became his primary mode of communication. “That urge to communicate never stops,” he said.

A particularly poignant photograph from that period hangs prominently in his current show. It is a portrait of Doran’s wife, Amy, standing at the beach, looking out toward the horizon. Her back is to the photographer but her long blonde hair and her purse slung over her shoulder make her instantly recognizable. “I was still living in Timber Ridge,” Doran said, looking at the portrait. “We took a drive and stopped at the beach,” he added but did not go on.

Doran made good progress after his stroke, going from “wheelchair to walker to walking,” he tells. He still has a slight hesitation in his speech but his conversation proves that he is firing on all cylinders.

His recounting of his life in Humboldt is full of self-aware humor and pivotal moments.

One of those life-changing moments came about because of a youthful indiscretion with alcohol.

“I wasn’t even 21 yet, but I was drinking at The

DORAN ♦ B2

PHOTO-GRAPHER
Bob Doran displays a book of photos he took when he was 10 years old, in front of his “Humboldt Humans” exhibit.
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♦ ARTS! ARCATA

A dark & arty night

ARCATA MAIN STREET

ARCATA – December’s Arts! Arcata is a special holiday celebration. Stores will be open late and Arcata Main Street is providing the public with free horse-drawn carriage rides. Santa and Mrs. Claus will be exploring the downtown festivities and Arcata Fire’s antique truck will be cruising with live music on board. Jacoby’s Storehouse will be dazzling with a spectacular 24-foot Grand Tree, surrounded by music from AHS Madrigal Singers, ArMack Jazz Band and several small ensembles.

Get out to downtown Arcata this Friday, Dec. 11 from 6 to 9 p.m. for all that, plus art and music at the following venues:

Arcata Artisans 883 H St. – Best of Show: paintings by Joyce Jonté and Dana Ballard, printmaking by Libby George and Patricia Sennott, photography by Jim Lowry and metalwork by Betsy Roberts.

Arcata Exchange 813 H St. – Multimedia art by Carla Newton and music by Mad River Rounders; wine pour benefits Arcata House Partnership.

Bubbles 1031 H St. – Music by Clean Livin’.

Fatböl Clothing 1063 H St. – Keeping the art of hip-hop alive, all emcees and lyricists are welcome to freestyle or recite verses with live DJs. Hosted by NAC ONE alongside DJ M.

Fire Arts Center 520 South G St. – Holiday Sale & Show

Gallery Métier 1034 H St. – Humboldt Humans, portraits by Bob Doran (see above) and an instant portrait studio. Live music; wine pour benefits Humboldt Skate Park.

Garden Gate 905 H St. – Art by Rick Tolley and music by Compost Mountain Boys; wine pour benefits Friends of the Library.

Global Village Gallery 973 H St. – Paintings, prints, mandalas and tree houses by Issac Bluefoot.

Humbrews 856 10th St. – Paintings by Christina Lastra.

Jacoby’s Storehouse 791 Eighth St. – “Art Jam,” Arcata Arts Institute student creations for the holiday season.

Libation Wine Bar and Shop 761 Eighth St. – Art by Steve Lemme and music by Duncan Burgess.

Moonrise Herbs 826 G St. – Reflexions, paintings by Rob Hampson, and music by Jay Kaminski playing originals, covers and Christmas music.



BEST OF SHOW Every December, the Arcata Artisans Cooperative Gallery displays a members group show; this year, members brought out their very best, their favorites, regardless of size or theme, to create a “Best of Show” juried member exhibition. Visit the Arcata Artisans Cooperative Gallery to see a stunning show of exquisite works representing all 29 member artists, including Dana Ballard’s “Ascension,” above, and Patricia Sennott’s “Fragrant Autumn Blessing,” at right. The show runs until Jan. 18, with an Arts! Arcata reception on Friday, Dec. 11 from 6 to 9 p.m.

Plaza 808 G St. – Acrylic on wood and canvas by Allison Curtis; wine pour benefits *Devon’s Vision* (an Ink People Project).

Redwood Curtain Brewery 550 South G St. – Cheers More Beers, drawings by Drano.

Redwood Realty 655 Ninth St. – Succulent growing art and rustic wood furniture by Nancy Rehg and holiday crafts by Julie Costello.

Redwood Yogurt 1573 G St. – Arcata Arts Institute student show.

Sacred Empire 853 H St. – Handmade designs by Jessi Sader of FXDressed.

Sanctuary 1301 J St. – Unique sets of playing cards by 12 visual artists including Katie Belknap, Lauren Kinney, Patrick Vincent, Katy Warner. Auditory accompaniment in the form of an

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SCI FI PINT AND PIZZA NIGHT Howl at *Moon of the Wolf* (1972) and other psychotronic weirdness, trailers, short films and strange giveaways **today, Dec. 9** at Arcata Theatre Lounge, 1036 G St. Doors open at 6 p.m. and the main feature starts at 7:30 p.m. Based on a novel by Leslie Whitten, this made-for-TV thriller blends a murder-mystery with an old-fashioned werewolf story. Admission is free with \$5 minimum purchase of food or beverage. Parental guidance is suggested.

AM JAZZ BAND Enjoy jazz standards by Monk, Coltrane, Billy Strayhorn, Herbie Hancock, Tito Puente and W.C. Handy. **Thursday, Dec 10** at 8 p.m. at Fulkerson Recital Hall on HSU campus. *HSUMusic.blogspot.com*, (707) 826-3928

McK MIDDLE SCHOOL WINTER GALA Shop for art handmade by McKinleyville Middle School Entrepreneurial Art students, who will be selling handmade pottery including vases, platters, bowls, mugs and more. There will also be a silent auction with work by local artists including John Wesa, Kris Patzlaff, Jim Lowry, Augustus Clark and many more. The entire community is invited to the new gymnasium at McKinleyville Middle School, 2285 Central Ave. **Thursday, Dec. 10** from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.; the school band will perform their winter concert at 6:30 p.m. They are also hosting a delicious dinner; \$10 tickets can be purchased in advance from the school office, (707) 839-1508; a limited number will be available at the door.

THURSDAY NIGHT TALK Concerns over ISIS, also called ISIL and Daesh, have risen in the wake of the Paris attacks. **Dec. 10** at 7 p.m. on *Thursday Night Talk*, Linda Stansberry speaks with William Herbrechtsmeier, professor of Religious Studies at HSU, Professor Leena Dallasheh, who teaches Middle East Studies, and Julia Pitner, Internews regional director for the Middle East and North Africa. Please call in and help have a productive discussion about Islam, Syria and the evolving approach towards global terrorism on KHSU 90.5 FM.

BOOK SALE Friends of the McKinleyville Library's Second Saturday Book Sale is **Dec. 12** from 1 to 4 p.m. at their store near the Totem Pole in McKinleyville. This special holiday sale features gift-quality books for children and adults and lots of great Christmas-themed books, CDs, small books, DVDs and comic books, plus tables of mysteries, romance, fantasy, biography, humor, outdoor adventure and other paper and hardcover fiction and nonfiction, most for \$1 or less. Book donations may be brought to the site on sale day between 2 and 4 p.m.

GOSPEL MESSIAH The Arcata Interfaith Gospel Choir's Holiday Concert features a gospel version of *The Hallelujah Chorus* from Handel's *Messiah*. Hear it as you never have before as well as traditional holiday songs, all sung in the tradition of Black Gospel music **Saturday, Dec. 12** at 7 p.m. at the Arcata Presbyterian Church, 11th and G streets in Arcata. Suggested donation is \$15/\$12 for students and seniors/free for kids under 5. Tickets are available at Wild-

berries Marketplace, Peoples' Records, The Works and possibly, at the door. (707) 822-4444, *arcatainterfaithgospelchoir.com*

MOKKA MUSIC The Last-Minute Men play international tunes on **Saturday, Dec. 12** at 8 p.m. at Café Mokka, 495 J St. in Arcata. There is no cover for this all-ages show. (707) 822-2228

TAKE THE A TRAIN HSU Jazz Orchestra celebrates the centennial of Billy Strayhorn on **Saturday, Dec. 12** at 8 p.m. in Fulkerson Recital Hall on HSU campus. (707) 826-3928, *HSUMusic.blogspot.com*

HOLIDAY STUDIO SALE Thimbleberry Threads holds their seventh annual Holiday Studio Sale **Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 12 and 13** from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m at 4460 Dow's Prairie Rd., McKinleyville. Featured artists are Beth Kabat with original designs handprinted on pillows, market bags, wall hangings and t-shirts; Linda Parkinson showing watercolors, originals, prints and cards; Robin Friedman with dichroic fused glass jewelry, mosaics and home decor. Rounding out the mix is a display and samples of Diane's Sweet Heat habanero jams and Elaine Benjamin's Blue Chair Press tool shirts. Plus, a free holiday gift raffle and refreshments. (707) 839-3831

ALL SEASONS ORCHESTRA Join the All Seasons Orchestra for its much anticipated holiday concert sponsored by the Arcata Recreation Division and the Rodden Family on **Sunday, Dec. 13**. This year, All Seasons Orchestra performs as part of the 39th annual Fortuna Christmas Music Festival in the Fortuna River Lodge, 1800 Riverwalk Dr. All Seasons Orchestra starts the festival promptly at 12:30 p.m. with nine other musical performances to follow. This community concert is free. For more information on the concert or to join the orchestra, call (707) 822-7091 or visit *cityofarcata.org/rec*.

AN ADVENTURE-FILLED LIFE Practical and fun ways to add excitement and adventure to your world will be explored at Lifetree Café on **Sunday, Dec. 13** at 7 p.m. The program, titled "Pursuing an Audacious Life: Inspiration From a Man Who's Traveled to Every Country," features a filmed interview with Chris Guillebeau, an author who set a goal to travel to all 193 countries in the world and did so in 10 and a half years. Admission to the 60-minute event is free. Lifetree Café is located at Campbell Creek Connexion on the corner of Union and 13th streets, Arcata. (707) 672-2919, *bobdipert@hotmail.com*

HUMBOLDT CHORALE & UNIVERSITY SINGERS With a seasonal flavor and a diverse menu of songs, the University Singers and Humboldt Chorale present their shared winter concert **Sunday, Dec. 13** at 8 p.m. at Fulkerson Recital Hall on HSU campus. *HSUMusic.blogspot.com*, (707) 826-3928

DOG DAY AFTERNOON Bring your pooch to the patio of Mad River Brewing Co., 101 Taylor Way in Blue Lake **Tuesday, Dec. 15**, for hot dog specials from the kitchen, adoptable dogs onsite from 5 to 7 p.m., and feral jazz by Dogbone from 6 to 8:30 p.m.



HUMBOLDT HUMANS See yourselves at Bob Doran's Galerie Métier photo show.



Doran | ‘That urge to communicate never stops’

❖ **FROM B1**
Boot [a bar on the south side of the Plaza]. My friend added some one hundred and fifty-one [proof] rum to my beer.” Long story short, Doran ended up in court, “lined up with about fifteen people, the butcher, the baker and the candlestick maker.”

“I had to have a job to pay the \$320 DUI fine,” he said. “Wesley Chesbro’s brother, Walt, ran the Jolly Giant dish room. He got me a job washing dishes.” Doran worked in food service for Lumberjack Enterprises for 10 years, eventually ending up as head chef at the old Silver Lining, a restaurant at the airport in McKinleyville, where he worked for nine years.

“I was always trying to find recipes to use up other stuff,” he said. “The former chef had trained in French cooking at Le Palais so all our cooking was done with clarified butter. There was always a bunch of whey left over from clarifying the butter. I thought, ‘What if I put shrimp in the whey for that buttery, salty flavor?’” Doran created a popular dish called Prawns Diabolique, which included prawns, cream, mushrooms, pepper, butter and whey. He worked at other restaurants, the Bay City Grill in Eureka most notably, and opened up the Wild Platter Cafe at Wildberries.

But he was always doing photography and journalism on the side. “I was still running Silver Lining and one of our customers, Guy Cross, was an older returning student at HSU. There was a barbecue contest in Trinidad and we did a fancy spread with grilled pawns and grilled quail. Guy said, ‘We should do a cooking show.’ He was taking a video class.”

“The next thing he took was a class on tabletop publishing,” continued Doran, “so he started a monthly newspaper called *Edge City*.” Doran was one of the photographers for that paper, and wrote record reviews, concert reviews, cooking stories “and this crazy column called *On TV*. Like ‘on drugs,’” he said with a laugh. “I had just gotten cable TV so this was a guide to what good things were on.” The paper was sold and the new owner liked interviews, “So I got to interview Mickey Hart, the guy from Phish, whoever was the coolest musician visiting the area,” said Doran. “I once interviewed Ray Manzarek and Michael McClure together, talking about how they knew Jim Morrison. This was an import-

ant transition for me,” Doran said. “It got me in the mode that I wanted to write.”

He ended up writing for the *Union*, the *Humboldt Beacon*, the *Rhythm Review*, the *Times-Standard* and the *North Coast Journal*, mostly while still cooking for restaurants.

At the *Journal*, Doran said, he started a music column, a food column, the Arts! Alive listings with features on artists, all during the transition at that paper from a monthly to a weekly. He worked there for “13 or 14 years.”

Doran could do all these things because he studied almost everything available at HSU, graduating with a Theater Arts degree with an emphasis in Film in the 1980s. “I went to school on the really slow plan,” he said. “It was so inexpensive – tuition was \$52 a quarter. I looked at that as an entertainment budget. When they finally raised it to \$100, I said, ‘I’d better graduate’.” Doran studied photography with the legendary Tom Knight, graphic arts and photography with Bill Thonson and, later, non-silver photography with Ellen Landweber.

“When I was done with college, I had no access to a darkroom,” lamented Doran. He isn’t dependent on darkrooms anymore; Doran’s become a wiz at the new technology that makes photographs instantly available, even around the world. He’s delighted with a new wireless printer he got for \$49. “That’s cheaper than ink,” he said. He’s got it set up in Gallery Métier and can print directly from his phone.

The gallery is lined with ledges upon which hundreds of portraits are displayed. Those whose photos are displayed will get the photo as a gift, “but I’d like a gift in return,” Doran said. He is open about what that gift could be.

What’s clear from looking at the remarkable variety of humans he’s photographed is that he has the gift of capturing the essential personality of each subject. The faces lining the walls engage the viewers and look back as if they, too, want to start a conversation.

Doran will teach iPhone photography while the show is up and is open to other projects as well. The best way to find out more and arrange that is to contact him directly through Facebook or email him at *bob.doran@gmail.com*.


CALENDAR	VENUE	WEDNESDAY, DEC. 9	THURSDAY, DEC. 10	FRIDAY, DEC. 11	SATURDAY, DEC. 12	SUNDAY, DEC. 13	MONDAY, DEC. 14	TUESDAY, DEC. 15
	Arcata Theatre Lounge 1036 G St., Arcata	6 p.m. • Sci Fi Pint & Pizza Night		8 p.m. Beats Antique	8 p.m. Beats Antique	6 p.m. <i>Polar Express</i> (2004)		
	Blue Lake Casino 777 Casino Way, Blue Lake		8 p.m. • Karaoke w/ KJ Leonard	9 p.m. Blue Rhythm Revue	9 p.m. Nighthawk	8 p.m. • Karaoke w/ KJ Leonard		
	Cher-Ae Heights Casino 27 Scenic Dr., Trinidad	all day Free pool		9 p.m. Backstreet	9 p.m. Dr. Squid	8 p.m. Karaoke w/DJ Marv	8 p.m. 8-Ball Tourney	8 p.m. Karaoke w/DJ Marv
	Humboldt Brews 856 10th St., Arcata		9:30 p.m. Sallie Ford			11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Music Yard Sale		
	The Jam 915 H St., Arcata	10 p.m. • Whomp Whomp Wednesday	10 p.m. The Rezonators		10 p.m. • Something for Everyone	10 p.m. Sundaze		8 p.m. Comedy Night
	Libation 761 Eighth St., Arcata		7 p.m. Claire Bent	6 p.m. Duncan Burgess	7 p.m. RLA Trio			7 p.m. Buddy Reed
	Logger Bar 510 Railroad Ave., Blue Lake	6:45 p.m. Cribbage Tournament	8 p.m. Trivia Night	9 p.m. Kingfoot	9 p.m. Lost Dogs	6 p.m. Potluck dinner	all day Free pool	all day Ping pong
	Mad River Brewing Co. 101 Taylor Way, Blue Lake	6 p.m. Piet Dalmolen	6 p.m. For Folk Sake	6 p.m. String Chickens				6 p.m. Dogbone
	Redwood Curtain Brewery 550 South G St., Arcata	all day Pints for Nonprofits	8 p.m. Roland Rock		8 p.m. Cloudship		7 p.m. Shuffleboard	7 p.m. • La Musique Diabolique
	Richards' Goat 401 I St., Arcata	8 p.m. • Monster Women & The Garden	TBA • Anarchist Book- fair Benefit	TBA • First Year Cele- bration	3:30 p.m. Kids Film Fest 5 p.m. <i>Heart of a Dog</i>	9 p.m. Karaoke	9 p.m. • R. Ariel, Blood Gnome & Venus Milk	TBA GOP Debate Party
	Six Rivers Brewery 1300 Central Ave., McKinleyville		9 p.m. Chris Parreira	9 p.m. • The Movers & The Shakers	9 p.m. The Overstimulators	8 p.m. Trivia Night	8 p.m. Karaoke with DJ Marv	7:30 p.m. Sunny Brae Jazz

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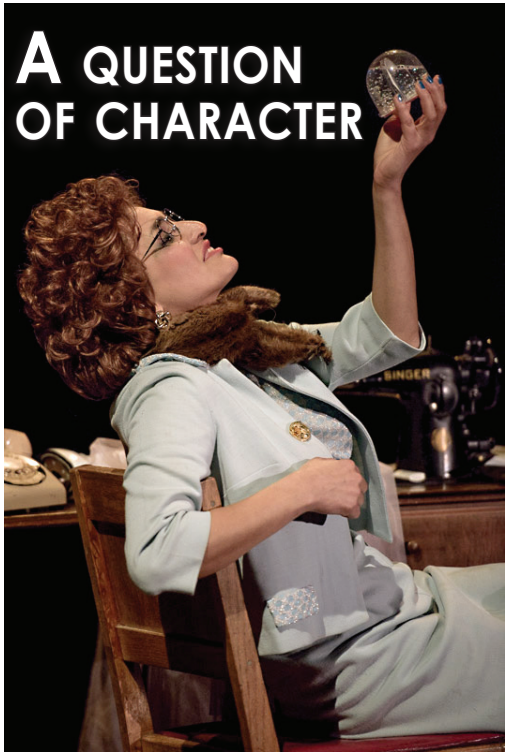
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GLOBE GAZER Vida Tayabeti in last year's *The Character Projects* at Dell'Arte International. PHOTO BY NELS ISRAELSON

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transform and also reveal him- or herself through the mask of character? How does a play take shape, born from the body-in-action and the actor's dramatic imagination?

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This year's student performers are Anne Kjaer Wæhrens (Denmark), Emilia Björk (Sweden), Jeusun Choi (South Korea), Tafadzwa Bob Mutumbi (Zimbabwe), Zafiria Dimitropoulou (Greece), Tushar Mathew (India), Becca Finney, Grayson Bradshaw, Jenny Lamb, Kevin Duvall, Lucius Robinson and Taylor Brewerton (USA).

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AND HEARTS WILL BE GLOWING

IT'S THE MOST WONDERFUL TIME OF THE YEAR The McKinleyville Community Choir will make it a most wonderful afternoon, Sunday, Dec. 13 at 2:30 p.m., for all those at their Holiday Concert at Azalea Hall in McKinleyville (and that song will be part of a medley sung by the Women's Chorus). There will be vocal duets and soloists presenting a variety of holiday songs, accompanied by brass, percussion, guitar and keyboard instrumentalists (including Tom Schuette, Steve Reis, Albert Raymond, Naomi Faulkner, Joey McCutchan, Dick LaForge, Angela Smith, Tom Cover, Melissa Gussin, Lynn Pettfon, Kevin McCabe and Jean Browning) and accompaniment to “Candy Cane Lane” by young award-winning fiddler, Olivia Gerving. A buffet will offer sweet and savory refreshments provided by the choir members, including hot and cold beverages. There is no fee, but donations are appreciated. The members of the choir come from a number of the North Coast communities and practice weekly, sharing a delight in making music together under the direction of Robert Keiber. For any information about the choir or the concert, call Choir Manager Jean Browning at (707) 839-2276.

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❖ THEATRE REVIEW

Go to Jo's show

Lauraine Leblanc
MAD RIVER UNION

FERNDALE – Ferndale Repertory Theatre (FRT) offers a literary, bitter-sweet coming-of-age musical this holiday season, *Little Women*.

Based on the beloved Louisa May Alcott Civil War-era novel, *Little Women* presents most events through the memories and fabrications of Jo March (Jo Kuzelka), a thinly-veiled version of Alcott herself. Through Jo's eyes, we see her family's struggles, sisterly squabbles, milestones, romances, triumphs and tragedies.

As Jo's three sisters, Alisa Morey (Meg), Jesse Shie-man (Beth) and Nanette Voss (Amy) each have a moment to shine, as does Tina Toomata (matriarch Marmee), whose interpretation of “Here Alone” is just the first tearjerker moment in this moving musical.

There are laughs too, most of them scored by Dante Gelormino, in the role of Laurie Laurence, and Kaitlen Osburn, as Aunt March. Knowing that

Gelormino is a mixed martial arts fighter adds an extra dimension to his playing the delicate dandy.

There are also some pretty funny bits of Jo's writings, a melodramatic blood-and-guts *Operatic Tragedy* acted out onstage by the castmembers in doubled roles.

The scenery and lighting, both designed by Raymond Gutierrez, are absolutely ingenious. Gutierrez' version of Jo's attic is dreamlike, populated by fascinating bric-a-brac, yet open to the sky, which shows variations in season and time through brilliant lighting design.

Costumes, designed by Lydia Foreman and Kate Newby, are, as one expects at FRT, mouthwatering.

And then there's Kuzelka, who doesn't carry the show (because the ensemble doesn't need carrying), doesn't steal the show (be-



ASTONISHING! Jo Kuzelka is Jo March in FRT's *Little Women*. PHOTO BY DAN TUBBS

cause the ensemble works really well), but rather just commands the stage. Any resistance to Jo's charms vanished by the time Kuzelka closed act one belting out “Astonishing!”

Little Women runs Friday and Saturday evenings at 8 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays at 2 p.m. through Sunday, Dec. 20 at Ferndale Repertory Theatre, 447 Main St. (707) 786-5483, ferndalerep.org

Arts! Arcata | Be the board game at Sanctuary

❖ **FROM B1**
interactive musical board game by The Sanctuary Furniture Ensemble and performed by gallery attendees under the direction of the artists.

The Shop 939 Eighth St. – Group Photography Show, including a slide show.

T's Café North 860 10th St. – Art by Linda Erickson, Curtis Otto and Jill Faulkner; music by the Undercovers.

Upstairs Gallery 1063 G St. – Season of Light, art by Gina Tuzzi, Sarah Leshner, Nicole Kita, Jesse Wiedel, Thrn Brooks, Brent Eviston, Libby



RAWR Art by Ellie Earle-Rouse at Wildberries patio.

George, Patricia Sennott, John King, Regina Case, Jim McVicker, Terry Oates, D'mise, Natalie Craig, Phyllis Barba, Jeff Cross, Rachel Schlueter, Stock Schlueter, Blake Reagan, Sonny Wong, Shawn Griggs, Andrei Hedstrom, Guy Joy, David White, Amy Granfield, Lita Penkova, David Sa-fire, Marceau Verd-iere, Ana, Amezcu and Georgia Long; music by Wrye.

Wildberries Patio 747 13th St. – Art by Ellie Earle-Rouse.

Zen 1091 H St. – Sexi Seaweed facebook.com/artsarcata, (707) 822-4500

Film fest seeks submissions of short works

HUMBOLDT INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL

ARCATA – Humboldt International Film Festival (HIFF) is calling local filmmakers to submit their works. There are four genres in which to submit a short film: documentary, experimental, narrative and animation.

HIFF is the oldest student-run film festival in the world, run by three student co-directors. The mission of HIFF is to create a space

for independent filmmakers to express themselves, free from the censorship of mainstream media. The HIFF is particularly aware of the power of short, independent film and seeks those which inspire social and environmental change.

This year's festival will be held in the Minor Theatre, 1036 G St., Arcata, April 20 through 23.

Film submissions must be under thirty minutes, created after January 2011

and provide English subtitles if the film is not in English. Entries must include a \$20 entry fee (\$10 for Humboldt County locals and free for HSU students and alumni).

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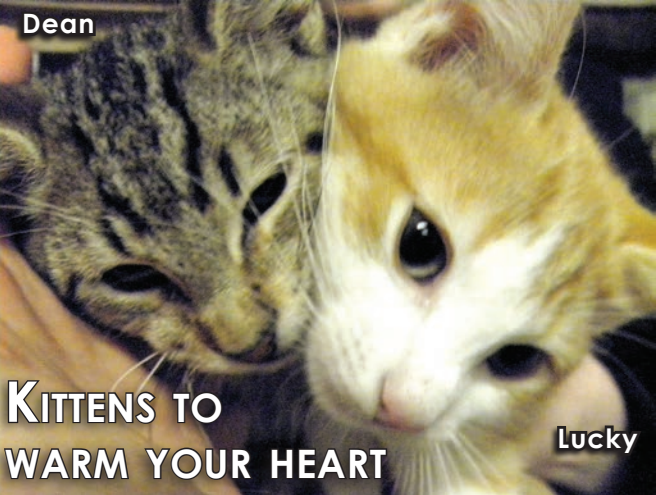
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There’s frost on the windows and a chill to the air. This time of year, everyone’s trying to find a way to keep warm. Here at Companion Animal Foundation, we have a pair of kittens that will not only warm your lap, but your heart as well!



Lucky and Dean came to CAF as part of two separate litters of kittens, and they are both the last of their siblings looking for a home this winter. Lucky, a striking orange and white girl, is quick to play and loves attention. Dean is a handsome young tabby boy who enjoys curling up in a lap and purring. They have been spayed and neutered, have had their first round of vaccines, and are looking forward to stretching out in front of the fireplace of their new home.

What are you waiting for? Brave the cold and head down to the adoption room at CAF’s thrift store, located at 88 Sunny Brae Center in Arcata, to meet Lucky, Dean, and the rest of our adoptable animals. The kittens will warm you up in no time at all!

Got a question about CAF and the programs we offer? Email us at cafanimals@gmail.com, visit cafanimals.org, check out Companion Animal Foundation on Facebook, or call (707) 826-7387. And remember to keep yourself and your pets warm this season!

SANTA PAWS is coming to Humboldt Pet Supply, 145 G St., south of Samoa Boulevard in Arcata, on Sunday, Dec. 13! From 1 to 6 p.m., bring your pet(s) and get their picture with Santa Paws for a donation to Companion Animal Foundation. Be sure to bring your own camera for additional pictures. Treats, beverages and amazing pet items will abound for you and your four-legged family member. People will get to enjoy cider from Arcata’s very own local Wrangletown Cider Company. From 1 to 4 p.m., Companion Animal Foundation staff will be on hand to microchip your pet with the new Home Again XS (Extra Small) microchip, a much smaller version of the current microchips, for a low fee that includes lifetime registration. Teens in Action for the Animals will be there ready to engrave a new professional pet tag. All pets, whether naughty or nice, will receive a gift from Santa!

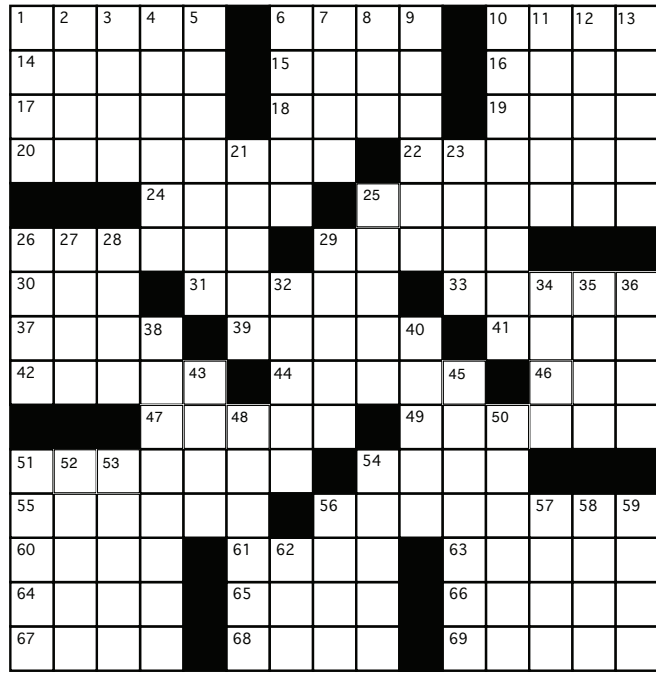
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1. Clutch
6. Many
10. Explosive
14. Nook
15. Border on
16. Of a generation
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18. Part of a wedding cake
19. Female animal
20. Those who eat on the house
22. Handsome man
24. 1109
25. Pittsburgh __
26. Tropical fig tree
29. Clergyman
30. Address abbr.
31. Approaches
33. Bicycle part
37. Appear
39. Malice
41. Word on a banana
42. Typo
44. Stadium fixtures
46. Green expanse
47. Western movie
49. Rush
51. Sufferings
54. Defeatist's word
55. Eat like a mouse
56. Thought about
60. Palm or pine
61. Broad ditch
63. Identical
64. "___ deal!"
65. Margin
66. Burdened
67. One of Noah's sons
68. Shameful grades
69. Flowers-to-be

DOWN

1. Pesky insect
2. Tear apart
3. Hertz Rent-__
4. Wobble abnormally
5. Louisiana's state bird
6. Rubber glove material
7. Geisha's sash
8. Part of every week: abbr.
9. Tax to the utmost
10. Lamented
11. Praying figure
12. Guillotined queen
13. "God __ you"
21. Utensil parts
23. Let fall
25. Italian staple
26. Low
27. State positively
28. __-do-well
29. Emotional one
32. Domed projections
34. Numskull
35. Away from the wind
36. Skinny
38. Night light
40. Green Mountain Boys' leader
43. Metal bar
45. Footwear
48. Swarmed
50. Engraved pillars: var.
51. Those who lobby against a measure
52. Circumference
53. Way too heavy
54. Dove shelters
56. Summon electronically
57. Roller coaster, e.g.
58. __ out a living; got by
59. Comfy rooms
62. Elegant poem



Solution in next week's Mad River Union

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Yuletide in Trinidad & Winter in Westhaven this weekend

Christmas festivities abound all around Trinidad this weekend. Winter in Westhaven at Westhaven Center for the Arts (WCA), 501 South Westhaven Dr., takes place Friday, Dec. 11 from 6 to 9 p.m. It is a time to swap stories, songs, skits and create memories. Admission to this all-ages event with firepit, music, storytelling, fire dancing, face painting and more is \$5 per adult and children get in free. Proceeds benefit the Trinidad Art Night fund.

Chamber of Commerce Holiday Bash
The Greater Trinidad Chamber of Commerce presents its Holiday Bash on Saturday, Dec. 12 in Trinidad Town Hall, with cocktails, tasty appetizers by Uniquely Yours Catering and easy listening music for socializing from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Stay until 8 p.m. for the end of year wrap-up and raffle, followed by dancing until 10 p.m. Admission is \$25 at the door. RSVP to Cynthia Gosling at Cynthia@Trinidadcalif.com or call (707) 677-1610. Chamber members, guests and all of Trinidad are invited for the most festive evening of the year. Dress up.

Holidays in Trinidad all day, Sunday
The whole Trinidad community of artisans, musicians, shopkeepers, restaurants, wineries and organizations is coming together to celebrate Christmas this Sunday, Dec. 13. It starts with the Indie Craft Show at Trinidad Town Hall from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., featuring the finest in locally made art, jewelry and crafts and libations by KMUD. Admission is \$2, and benefits Trinidad Library. Then, support Trinidad School by shopping at the Trinidad School Holiday Craft Fair from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the school gym, with free admission. Trinidad Coastal Land Trust holds its annual meeting at the new Simmons Gallery behind the library from 3 to 5 p.m., with refreshments. If you have not yet seen the gal-



lery, stop by. It is beautiful. Trinidad Museum’s newest board member and docent Jim Webb will be on duty from 12:30 to 4 p.m. The museum’s latest publication, *Historical Happenings* by Sibyl M. Jamieson – containing anecdotes about every aspect of Trinidad life since the Gold Rush – would make a fine Christmas present at only \$12, with a limited edition of 100 copies. Many have been sold already. Penne O’Gara and the Song Circle will lead caroling around town starting at Trinidad Art Gallery through the day, ending at WCA for the Arts Holiday Open House Party at 5:30 p.m. Bring a hot or cold side dish, salad or dessert. WCA will provide turkey, hot spiced cider, eggnog, plates and utensils to this family-friendly event. Enjoy the Small Images exhibit while you’re there.

Choir concerts
The Arcata Interfaith Gospel Choir, including the Youth Choir, performs Handel’s *Messiah*, along with Christmas favorites, on Saturday, Dec. 12 at 7 p.m. at the Arcata Presbyterian Church at 11th and G streets. Admission is \$15/\$12 for seniors and students/free for children under age five. You have your choice of several heartwarming Christmas concerts by the Messiah Choir of McKinleyville Seventh Day Adventist Church. They will perform on Sunday, Dec. 13 at 2:30 p.m. in Azalea Hall, McKinleyville; on Friday, Dec. 18 at 7 p.m. at the Eureka Inn and on Sunday, Dec. 20 at 2:30 p.m. at the Arcata Playhouse in the Creamery District. Many of your Trinidad friends and acquaintances perform in one or both of the above choirs. Cheer them on and cheer yourself up with traditional, sacred and secular Christmas music.

JD Jeffries at Lighthouse Grill
The Lighthouse Grill continues its Sunday 5 p.m. music series through December. JD Jeffries performs on Dec. 27. Call (707) 845-6242 for the full month’s line up of musicians.

Email Patti at baycity@sonic.net.

High-speed & low-speed Chihuahuas

Everyone at the shelter is excited about the Annual Open House coming up this weekend! On Saturday, Dec. 12, from noon to 4 p.m., the shelter will be open for tours and refreshments, as well as a beautiful selection of items in our silent and dutch auctions. There are gift certificates, pet items, incredible local art, jewelry and more! All of the proceeds go to the Emergency Medical Fund, which pays for all kinds of veterinary procedures for the shelter cats and dogs, including orthopedic repairs, heartworm treatments, tumor removal and many more conditions that afflict these abandoned animals. Volunteers will be on hand to help you find a new best friend, if you are in the market. This is one of the rare Saturdays when adoptions may be processed, so don’t miss this opportunity! One of the dogs that will be happy to see you on Saturday is little Jackson, a 1-year-old smooth-coated Chi-



huahua mix. He is such a friendly little guy. He loves whoever is walking him and loves the other dogs! He shared a kennel for a while with the Rat Terrier, Buster, featured here recently, but Buster was adopted and now Jackson’s all alone in his big kennel. Jackson plays well with other dogs both big and small. His current best friend is a Foxhound named Charlie and it’s very cute to see them together. Jackson seems to have a talent for putting the less-socialized dogs at ease. Jackson will play by himself; he likes to fetch and he loves to zoom around the yard! He is a gentle guy and should also do fine around a cat. Come meet Jackson today. He might get snapped up before the Open House! Redwood Pals Rescue also has a sweet little Chihuahua mix. Frankie is about 8 years old. He has a smooth, white-blond coat and weighs about 10 pounds. Frankie is in a foster home and gets along fine with the other dogs. He is

friendly and affectionate and happy to be held. His fosters say his favorite thing is sitting with them on the couch! He is housebroken and can be left alone during the day. Frankie wasn’t a huge fan of being in the shelter – he prefers to see his people on a more regular basis – but has been a model citizen in his foster home. His foster describes him as extremely well-behaved. If you are looking for a lower-speed Chihuahua, Frankie can be the one for you! Both these boys have been neutered and are current on their vaccinations. Jackson is already micro-chipped and Frankie can be done before adoption. Jackson and the Open House are at the Humboldt County Animal Shelter at 980 Lycoming Ave. in McKinleyville, just west of the airport. More information is available at (707) 840-9132. Frankie is in foster care with Redwood Pals Rescue. To meet him, please contact us at redwoodpalsrescue@gmail.com or call (707) 839-9692.



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Winter wonders at Mack Town Library

Winter is wonderful at the McKinleyville Public Library! There are some exciting events coming up at the library including crafts, games, and a story time with Elsa of Arendelle.

A big thank you to the Friends of the McKinleyville Library for their Holiday Book Sale on Dec. 3. They braved the elements to bring gift quality books and cookies to McKinleyville Shopping Center's Christmas Celebration. The second Saturday sales continue to be a success and support library programs like movie nights, arts and craft projects, and fantastic new library books.

This Saturday, Dec. 12 is monthly Board Game Day. Come by anytime between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. to play one of the library's games or bring in one of your own to share. We recently added five new games to the library collection with donations from community members and for International Games Day. Come in and game on!

Wednesday, Dec. 16 is the monthly Trading Card Game Night. Come in between 5 and 8 p.m. to play games like *Magic: The Gathering*, *Yu-Gi-Oh* and *Pokémon*. This is a free all-ages event where you can play together and learn from each other.

On Saturday, Dec. 19, we will be showing Disney's *Frozen* not once, but twice! At 1 p.m., enjoy storytime with Elsa (a.k.a. library volunteer Tenille) and a raffle – you could win a book to take home! We'll be making marshmallow Olafs and then watching the movie starting at 2 p.m. If you can't make it in the afternoon, fear not. Thanks to the generous support of the Friends of the McKinleyville Library and the McKinleyville Community Services District, the library conference room will stay open for a 5 p.m. showing of *Frozen*.

In addition to these special events, regular story times continue every Wednesday at 1 p.m. On Dec. 23, Liz will have special winter and holiday crafts for children.

All the Humboldt County libraries will be closed on Friday, Dec. 25 and Friday, Jan. 1. The McKinleyville Public Library is located at 1606 Pickett Rd. Thank you for supporting your local library this year. Have a safe and happy holiday season, we look forward to seeing you in the library in 2016!

humboldtgov.org/304/McKinleyville-Library, (707) 839-4459



OBITUARY

Wilma W. Johnston

Wilma W. Johnston passed away at her home in Arcata on November 27, 2015. She was born in rural northeast South Dakota on October 15, 1925. Her parents and four siblings predeceased her.

In 1939, parentless, she was sent to California to live with relatives. She graduated from Kern County Union High School in Bakersfield in 1943, and in 1945 attended the University of California Berkeley and completed her freshman year. She left for financial reasons and became a skilled secretary in the field of psychiatry, working for Dr. Norman Reider, Chief of the Department of Psychiatry at Mt. Zion Hospital, San Francisco.

In 1955, she married Judson L. Brown, a Native American Tlingit from Haines, Alaska. They established their home in Arcata, which became a popular “bed and breakfast” stopover for their large Tlingit family. Following the traditional cultural practice of Tlingit uncles raising their maternal nephews, the Browns welcomed Chris E. McNeil, Jr., who was 12 years old at the time, into their home, to care for him and groom him for tribal leadership. Jud was a walking boss longshoreman and they also hosted dinners for many ships’ officers from all over the world in their home for many years. Wilma and Judson divorced in 1973.

Wilma was a legal secretary and received on-the-job training in what is now known as a paralegal, for the Stokes and Steeves law firm in

Arcata, for 17 years, until 1973. She specialized in probate law. She was a founder and first chair of a chapter of the Legal Secretaries, Inc. in October, 1970, which later became the Humboldt County Legal Professionals Association.

In 1973, Wilma married Howard Lancaster Johnston, who was born in 1907 in Eureka into two prominent Humboldt County pioneer families, Richard and Mary Lancaster Johnston of Capetown, Bear River and Fred and Bertha Axe of Eureka and Dow's Prairie.

Wilma and Howard were happily married for thirty-two years, which ended with Howard's death at 96 years, in 2005. Wilma enormously enjoyed being a host and the Johnston's home was a gathering place for many friends and relatives. They considered everyone a “relative.” And while they had no children of their own, they were close to many younger friends including Susan, Janet, Janeen, Max, Jody, Marcella, Suzanne and many others.

Wilma and Howard were very adventuresome together. They took a trip to the wilderness of the Noatak River in Alaska near the Arctic Circle that would qualify as an epic adventure. They spent many happy days at their 10 acres near Weitchpec, which they later generously donated back to the Yurok Tribe as a sacred site.

Wilma had a lifelong commitment to helping people personally and in her political involvement. She was a member and director of the Funeral Consumer Alliance of Hum-



boldt and its predecessor organization, the Humboldt Funeral Society, for over 30 years. As president, she helped grow the organization and transition it to a new generation of leadership. She was concerned about the environment and was an activist in both Vallejo and Arcata.

Wilma is survived by Chris and Mary McNeil, their son, Micah McNeil, and their daughter and son-in-law, Tasha Nita Adams and Nick Adams, and their children, Paloma and Coltrane, and her niece, Kathy Christiansen Varner, and nephew, Kenneth Christiansen, and three stepdaughters, Geraldine Brown Williams, Mary Brown Lekanof and Vivian Brown Kokotovich, and many, many stepgrandchildren, who remember her well. There will be no formal funeral at Wilma's request. There will be a memorial celebration of her life at a time to be determined.

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LEGAL NOTICES

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 15-00618

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
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THOMAS O. KOPF
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S/THOMAS O. KOPF, OWNER

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Z. HALMAN DEPUTY
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1655 GRANGE RD. B MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 15-00634

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
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S/HEATH FORD, TREASURER

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11/18, 11/25, 12/2, 12/9

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FUNDTHROPIC
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S/DANIEL MARSH, PRESIDENT

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S/SCOTT OSTROM, PRESIDENT

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A.ABRAM DEPUTY
12/2, 12/9, 12/16, 12/23

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME ALICIA SUTHERLAND SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT CASE NO. CV150848

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
1. Petitioner ALICIA SUTHERLAND has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name: CHAYSE SHAWN COOK to Proposed name CHAYSE SHAWN SUTHERLAND.
2. The court ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not

be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
Date: 1/11/16
Time: 1:45 p.m.
Dept.: 8

3. A copy of this *Order to Show Cause* shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union.
Date: NOV. 30, 2015
DALE A. REINHOLTSSEN
Judge of the Superior Court
12/9, 12/16, 12/23, 12/30

CITATION FOR PUBLICATION UNDER WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE SECTION 294

Case Name: MIRACLE PRAISE
Case No.: JV140173
1. To Nathaniel Pierce and anyone claiming to be a parent of Miracle Praise, aka: Miracle Mountain-Moon-Oasis Praise born on 12/13/2010 at home in Arcata, Humboldt County, California.
2. A hearing will be held on February 29, 2016 at 8:30 a.m. in Dept. 7 located at Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA 95501, Juvenile Division, 2nd floor.
3. At the hearing the court will consider the recommendations of the social worker or probation officer.
4. The social worker or probation officer will recommend that your child be freed from your legal custody so that the child may be adopted. If the court follows the recommendation, all your parental rights to the child will be terminated.
5. You have the right to be present at the hearing, to present evidence, and you have the right to be represented by an attorney. If you do not have an attorney

and cannot afford to hire one, the court will appoint an attorney for you.
6. If the court terminates your parental rights, the order may be final.
7. The court will proceed with this hearing whether or not you are present.
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JEFFREY S. BLANCK, COUNTY COUNSEL #271366
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wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court.
There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association.
NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case.
The name and address of the court is: HUMBOLDT COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT
825 Fifth Street Eureka, CA 95501
The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney is: Zachary E. Zwerdling 707-445-9628 073288
ZWERDLING, BRAGG & MAINZER, LLP Eureka, CA 95501
DATE: APR 15 2015
Kerri L. Keenan Clerk, by Shayla B. Deputy
11/18, 11/25, 12/2, 12/9

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF SAMUEL HERMAN JANSEN
CASE NO.: PR150301
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: SAMUEL HER-

MAN JANSEN, AKA SAMUEL H. JANSEN, SAMUEL JANSEN, SAM HERMAN JANSEN, SAM H. JANSEN AND SAM JANSEN

A **Petition for Probate** has been filed by: SAMUEL EDWARD JANSEN, JR. in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.

The Petition for Probate requests that: SAMUEL EDWARD JANSEN, JR. be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A **hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:**
Date: January 7, 2016
Time: 2:00 PM
Dept.: 8
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.

If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your

appearance may be in person or by your attorney. If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) **four months** from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) **60 days** from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. **Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.**

You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal *Request for Special Notice* (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A *Request for Special Notice* form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for the petitioner: CHRIS JOHNSON HAMER (SBN 105752) STOKES, HAMER, KAUFMAN & KIRK, LLP 381 BAYSIDE ROAD, SUITE A ARCATA, CALIFORNIA 95521 707-822-1771 12/9, 12/16, 12/24

CITY OF ARCATA LEGAL NOTICE
INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 1471
I hereby certify that at a regular meeting held on December 2, 2015, the Arcata City Council introduced Ordinance No. 1471, summarized below, *An Ordinance of the City*

Council of the City of Arcata Amending the Arcata Municipal Code to Adjust the Required PEG Access Funding Level, Title VI—Business, Professions and Trades; Chapter 4—Cable Systems and Open Video Systems; Article 5—State Video Service Franchises; Section 6566, at which time the reading in full thereof was unanimously waived and approval granted for reading the ordinance by title only. Motion to introduce Ordinance No. 1471 was passed by the following vote: AYES: Winkler, Pitino, Pereira, Ornelas, Wheelley. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. ABSTENTIONS: None.
Bridget Dory, City Clerk, City of Arcata

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THE CELESTIAL ENVIRONMENT was brought down to Earth last Wednesday, Dec. 2 at Humboldt State’s Goodwin Forum. The occasion was Astronomy Day, created by Paola Rodriguez Hidalgo, assistant professor in the Dept. of Astronomy and Physics, middle left. Interestingly, the event’s presenters weren’t all science majors, and many had no background in math and physics, though you couldn’t tell by their knowledge of, or passion for the subject. Interactive exhibits included educational presentations, lots of fun models and props, a puppet show and even a thought-provoking sign that looks like a Facebook meme, but obviously can’t be because it doesn’t say “Your a ghost ...” The sign’s “stardust” reference is based on the fact that the elements of which we are composed were formed out of hydrogen inside stars that exploded billions of years ago. Right, Baili Farris, education major; Lacey Johnson, geography major; and Sarah Cowan, Spanish and international business major. “Teaching to others helps you internalize learning,” Hidalgo said. “It’s good for the community and good for the students. It deepens their understanding, especially when you do it in a joyful way.” Farris agreed: “I’m super-excited because there is so much to learn,” she said.

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AUDUBON CONSERVATION MEETING Redwood Region Audubon Society holds its monthly Conservation Meeting **Thursday, Dec. 10** at noon at the Golden Harvest Café, 1062 G St., Arcata. (Note: meeting day has changed from the second Wednesday to second Thursday of each month.) (707) 445-8311



Sean McAllister

BIRD COUNT PRIMER & POTLUCK Join the Redwood Region Audubon Society **Friday, Dec. 11** at 7:30 p.m. at the Six Rivers Masonic Lodge, 251 Bayside Rd., Arcata, for the Christmas Bird Count Primer and Potluck. In preparation for one of the biggest and most adventurous annual birding events, local birder/biologist Sean McAllister

will share some of the history and past highlights of five local Christmas Bird Counts. He will also review identification challenges that may be encountered during the counts. This is a good opportunity to meet the coordinators and sign up to participate in your favorite counts. The optional potluck starts at 6:30 p.m. Bring a dish to share; RRAS will provide drinks, plates and utensils.

RIVERSIDE RANCH/SALT RIVER RESTORATION Join Redwood Region Audubon Society on **Saturday, Dec. 12** to visit the Riverside Ranch/Salt River Restoration Project. Visit this exciting, newly restored but still-developing wetland that is otherwise only accessible by boat. Meet at the Ferndale Fairgrounds at 8 a.m. to carpool; return by noon. Dress warmly and be prepared to walk a few miles on an easy gravel road. Please call in advance to register for this trip, as there may be restrictions on the number of participants allowed. The focus will be on waterfowl, shorebirds and winter raptors. Call trip leader Sean McAllister at (707) 496-8790 for more informa-

tion and to register.

AUDUBON MARSH WALK Redwood Region Audubon Society sponsors a free public field trip at the Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary **Saturday, Dec. 12**. Bring your binoculars and have a great morning birding! Meet leader Larry Karsteadt in the parking lot at the end of South I Street (Klopp Lake) in Arcata at 8:30 a.m., rain or shine. Trip ends around 11 a.m.

FRIENDLY DUNE RESTORATION Help restore the dune ecosystem on the Friends of the Dunes property **Saturday, Dec. 12** from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Volunteers will remove invasive plants to make room for native plant diversity. Tools, gloves and snacks will be provided. Please bring water and wear work clothes. Meet at the Humboldt Coastal Nature Center, 220 Stamps Lane in Manila. jess@friendsofthedunes.org, (707) 444-1397

FOAM MARSH TOUR Friends of the Arcata Marsh (FOAM) sponsors a free tour of the Arcata Marsh & Wildlife Sanctuary on **Saturday, Dec. 12** at 2 p.m. Meet leader El-

liott Dabill at the Interpretive Center on South G Street for a 90-minute walk focusing on the ecology of the Marsh. Loaner binoculars available with photo ID. (707) 826-2359

NATURE STORY TIME Join naturalist Karen Mast for Nature Story Time at the Humboldt Coastal Nature Center **Saturday, Dec. 12** from 2 to 3 p.m. Geared for ages 3 to 6, story time focuses on the natural world and is followed by a simple craft project. (707) 444-1397

HBNWR AUDUBON WALK Join Redwood Region Audubon Society on **Sunday, Dec. 13** at the Humboldt Bay National Wildlife Refuge. This is a wonderful, two- to three-hour trip for people wanting to learn the birds of the Humboldt Bay area. It takes a leisurely pace with an emphasis on enjoying the birds! Beginners are more than welcome. Meet at the Refuge Visitor Center at 9 a.m. (707) 822-3613

GUIDED LANPHERE WALK Join mycologists Peter Haggard and Virginia Waters for a guided walk **Sunday, Dec. 13** from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. This walk will take place at

the Lanphere Dunes Unit of the Humboldt Bay National Wildlife Refuge and will focus on Mushroom of the Dunes. Meet at Pacific Union School, 3001 Janes Rd. in Arcata. Space is limited; reserve space by calling (707) 444-1397.

GET OUTSIDE, EXPLORE! Friends of the Dunes is excited to announce a new series of *Get Outside, Explore!* videos designed to entice you to step outside your door and discover Humboldt’s amazing coastal habitats. These short, one- to two-minute videos give a sneak peak of what is waiting for those who explore coastal dunes, dune forests, wetlands and sandy beaches at low tide. Meet filmmaker Will Goldenberg and some of the local experts featured in the films at the Humboldt Tourism Center, 205 G St. in Old Town Eureka, during a “Meet the Maker” event, **Wednesday, Dec. 16** from 6 to 8 p.m. The event will include snacks, information on Friends of the Dunes Get Outside Explore! programs and nature gift items in time for the holiday season. (707) 444-1397, friendsofthedunes.org

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